

Cooper Branch Trail—length: .3 miles
difficulty:easy/moderate

The Cooper Branch Trail mostly follows the shoreline of Allatoona Lake offering the hiker scenic views of Allatoona Lake. There are some bluebird boxes and down trees which is an excellent habitat for wildlife. If you look closely and are quiet you might see some bluebirds and other wildlife while walking the trail. This trail consist of hills and the forest has mixed pine and hardwoods.

Cooper’s Furnace Trail - length: 1 mile difficulty: easy

The Cooper’s Furnace Trail follows the route of a 19th Century mining railroad through a mixed pine and hardwood forest. The forest has a rich variety of trees, shrubs, wildflowers, and an abundance of wildlife. A beaver and a muskrat inhabit the pond at the end of the trail.

Laurel Ridge Trail - length: 1 mile difficulty: moderate

The Laurel Ridge Trail crosses the slopes of mixed a pine and hardwood covered ridge overlooking the Etowah River Valley. Theses slopes are graced by a variety of trees, shrubs, and wildflowers. Wildlife and breathtaking Blue Ridge vistas are common to this trail. You will be able to access the Pine Mountain Recreation Area from this trail. Pine Mountain Recreation Area is managed and maintained by Cartersville Parks and Recreation.



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Vineyard Mountain Eagle Scout Trails

Blue Trail - length: ½ mile difficulty: moderate

blaze color: blue

Red Trail - length: 1 mile difficulty: strenuous

blaze color: red

Yellow Trail – length: 5 miles difficulty: moderate

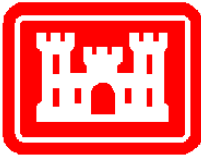
blaze color: yellow

The Vineyard Mountain Eagle Scout Trail traverses the forested slopes of Vineyard Mountain. From its lofty vantage points, hikers are provided beautiful vistas of the Etowah River Valley, Allatoona Dam, the Cooper’s Furnace historic area and Allatoona Lake. Wildlife which may be encountered includes deer, turkey, fox, bobcat, squirrel, and rabbit. Birds frequently seen are hawks, blue jays, songbirds, and crows. Occasionally, a Bald Eagle may even be spotted along the river.

Please observe the following safety tips so that your outing may be a pleasant experience:

- ◆ Do not leave children unsupervised.
- ◆ Be careful when walking the trail. Watch your step and stay away from cliffs. Be aware that poisonous snakes and stinging insects may be encountered.
- ◆ Do not litter, please pack out all waste items.
- ◆ Do not disturb, cut, or remove natural habitat (Ex: trees, flowers, rocks, etc.)
- ◆ Area near **DAM** restricted due to security concerns. Please do not enter.
- ◆ All pets must be on leash on all hiking trails on U.S. Army Corps of Engineer property.

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